

Art Focus:

Vincent Van Gogh

Year Group:

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Summer Term

Key Artist: Vincent Van Gogh

- Vincent Van Gogh was born on the 30th March 1853 in the Netherlands.
- He painted portraits and landscapes.
- Van Gogh used watercolours as well as oil paints.
- He is famous for using bright colours, and bold brush strokes in his artwork.
- Van Gogh's style of work is impressionism.
- He is known as a post-impressionist artist.
- He died on the 29th July 1890.



Key Vocabulary:

Impressionism – a style of painting using dabs of paint and colour, with visible brush strokes.

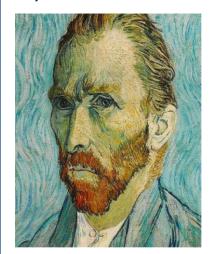
Landscape – a painting showing a view of natural scenery, like the countryside.

Portrait - a painting of a person.

Post-Impressionism – the work of some famous artists including Van Gogh, who used bright colours and symbols to show emotions and feelings in their artwork.

Watercolour – a type of paint which is used with water to give transparent colour.

Key Artwork:



Self – portrait - 1889



Sunflowers – 1888



Starry night - 1889

Key Skills:

- Children learn to create different tones using light and dark.
- Children learn to show patterns and texture in drawings.
- Children begin to draw for a more sustained period.
- Children learn to manipulate clay, plasticine and other mouldable materials for a variety of purposes, including thumb pots and models.
- Children learn and understand the safety and basic care of materials and tools.

Key Skills Diagram: Mixing watercolours

